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**(Small Entity)**

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Box Patent Application

Washington, D.C. 20231

Transmitted herewith for filing under 35 U.S.C. 111(a) and 37 C.F.R. 1.53(b) is a new utility patent application for an invention entitled:

**SAFETY SYSTEMS AND METHODS FOR BOSUN'S CHAIR**

and invented by:

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1. ☒ Filing fee as calculated and transmitted as described below
2. ☒ Specification having 11 pages and including the following:
  - a. ☒ Descriptive Title of the Invention
  - b. ☐ Cross References to Related Applications (if applicable)
  - c. ☐ Statement Regarding Federally-sponsored Research/Development (if applicable)
  - d. ☐ Reference to Sequence Listing, a Table, or a Computer Program Listing Appendix
  - e. ☒ Background of the Invention
  - f. ☒ Brief Summary of the Invention
  - g. ☒ Brief Description of the Drawings (if filed)
  - h. ☒ Detailed Description
  - i. ☒ Claim(s) as Classified Below
  - j. ☒ Abstract of the Disclosure

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3. ☒ Drawing(s) (when necessary as prescribed by 35 USC 113)
- a. ☒ Formal Number of Sheets 2
- b. ☐ Informal Number of Sheets \_\_\_\_\_
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- d. ☐ DELETION OF INVENTOR(S)  
Signed statement attached deleting inventor(s) named in the prior application,  
see 37 C.F.R. 1.63(d)(2) and 1.33(b).
5. ☐ Incorporation By Reference (usable if Box 4b is checked)  
The entire disclosure of the prior application, from which a copy of the oath or declaration is supplied under Box 4b, is considered as being part of the disclosure of the accompanying application and is hereby incorporated by reference therein.
6. ☐ CD ROM or CD-R in duplicate, large table or Computer Program (Appendix)
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- a. ☐ Computer Readable Form (CRF)
- b. ☐ Specification Sequence Listing on:
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- ii. ☐ Paper
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## Accompanying Application Parts

9. ☐ Assignment Papers (cover sheet & document(s))
10. ☐ 37 CFR 3.73(B) Statement (when there is an assignee)
11. ☐ English Translation Document (if applicable)
12. ☒ Information Disclosure Statement/PTO-1449 ☒ Copies of IDS Citations
13. ☐ Preliminary Amendment
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17. ☐ Small Entity Statement(s) - Specify Number of Statements Submitted: \_\_\_\_\_  
☒ Applicant claims small entity status. See 37 CFR 1.27.

18. ☐ Additional Enclosures (please identify below):

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19. ☒ Pursuant to 35 U.S.C. 122(b)(2), Applicant hereby requests that this patent application not be published pursuant to 35 U.S.C. 122(b)(1). Applicant hereby certifies that the invention disclosed in this application has not and will not be the subject of an application filed in another country, or under a multilateral international agreement, that requires publication of applications 18 months after filing of the application.

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- \* Small-Entity Utility Patent Application Transmittal Letter (4 pages) (in duplicate)
- \* U.S. Patent Application in 11 pages, including 20 Claims and Abstract
- \* Executed Declaration and Power of Attorney for Patent Application (3 pages)
- \* Informal Drawings (2 pages / 2 Figures)
- \* Information Disclosure Citation (2 pages) with 12 References
- \* EFS Application Data Sheet (1 pages)